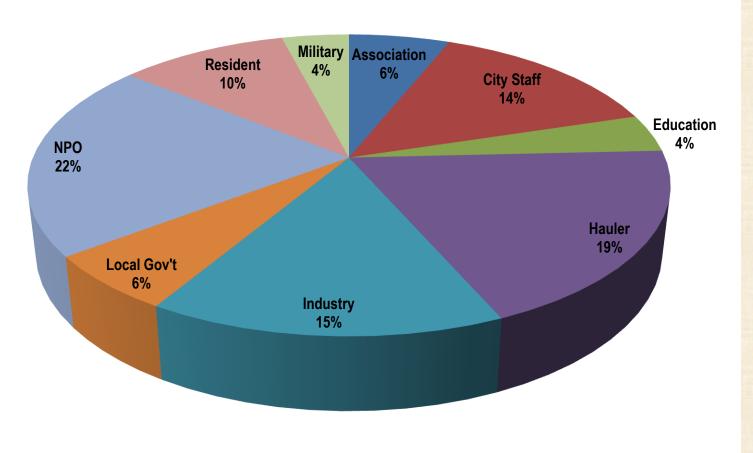
# Zero Waste Stakeholders Meeting

## SESSION TWO

August 27, 2014 & August 28, 2014

#### ZERO WASTE BACKGROUND





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#### 1989

→ AB 939: requires 50% diversion by 2000

#### 2011

→ AB 341: statewide goal of 75% diversion by 2020

#### 2013

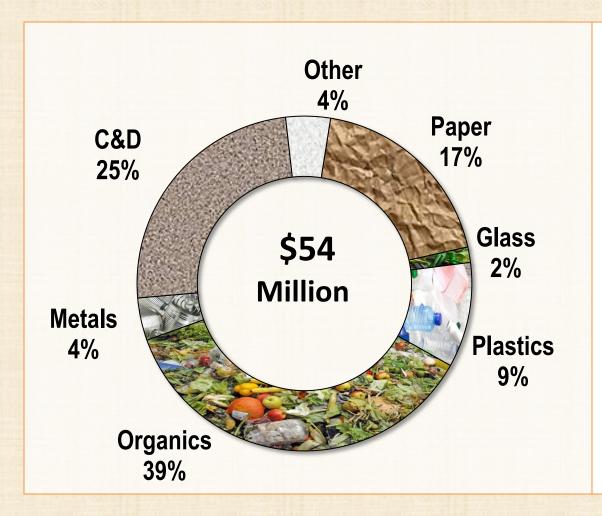
- → San Diego has an overall 67% diversion rate
  - Residential Recycling Rate- 23%
  - Commercial and Multi-Family- 26%
  - City Sites- 27%
  - O C & D-71%

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### **Zero Waste Objective:**

- → Adopted by Council 12/16/13
- →ESD develop Zero Waste Plan by 12/2014
  - Divert 75% waste by 2020
  - Reach Zero Waste by 2040

#### **OPPORTUNITIES**



- 76% of disposed waste is recyclable
- Value \$54M annually
- Organics: 39%
  - Food Waste: 15% (190,000 tons)

#### **CHALLENGES**

#### **Current 5-year Financial Forecast**

#### **Refuse Disposal Fund**

FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
\$1,012,708	\$351,000	(\$2,491,000)	(\$4,852,000)	(\$6,984,000)	(\$9,508,000)

#### **Recycling Fund**

FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
\$8,195,147	\$5,163,000	\$1,852,000	\$(1,653,000)	\$(5,220,000)	\$(8,240,000)

#### **CHALLENGES**

### 320,000 Tons of Additional Diversion

### Needed to Achieve 75%

- \$7M to \$15M in lost funds annually
  - →\$2-\$4M less for General Fund
  - →\$4-\$8M less for Disposal Fund
  - →\$1-\$3M less for Recycling Fund

#### Proposed Strategies - Sustaining Funding

- Flow control (FY16) (\$8.3M)
- Discontinue City discounts (FY16-FY18) (\$1.75M)

Refuse Disposal Fund

- Transfer Sycamore Franchise Fee from General Fund back to Recycling Fund (FY16-FY20) (\$2.9M)
- Charge for Recycling Containers (FY16)(\$1.2M)
- Change AB939 Fees collected from haulers to % of gross revenues (FY16)

Change Franchise Fees to % of gross revenues (FY16)

Recycling Fund

General
Fund

#### ZERO WASTE REQUIRES EVERYONE TO WORK TOGETHER





Private Haulers and Material Processors:

Collecting & Recycling Multi-Family and Commercial Discards



#### **Businesses:**

Green product design, Reduced packaging, Waste reduction, Increased recycling



Mayor &

City Council:

**Policy Direction** 



#### Non-Profits:

Thrift/Charity Donations, Reuse & Distribution, Community Outreach



#### **Environmental Services:**

Residential Collection, Landfill & Greenery, Enforcement, Education & Outreach, Planning & Implementation



#### **Consumers:**

Product decisions, Reuse & donate, Waste reduction, Increased recycling

#### **Policies**

- → Increase diversion levels in C&D Ordinance to 65%
- → Add materials and reduce exemptions in CRO
  - → Eliminate 4 cy exemption, add organics
- → Recycling requirements in Franchise Agreements
  - → Increase hauler-controlled recovery rate to 50%+
- → Supporting policies and laws
  - → Single-use plastic bag ban (local ordinance if state legislation fails)
  - → Packaging and toxics reduction legislation at State/Federal level
  - → Product Stewardship/Extended Producer Responsibility
  - → Consider local bans on hard-to-handle materials legal challenges
- → Zero Waste in Schools
- → City Departments Zero Waste scorecard

#### **Policies**

Reduce & Reuse

Recycle

**Organics** 

**Special Material** 

#### **Waste Reduction & Reuse Programs**

- → Enhanced education
  - → Develop case studies to demonstrate savings from waste reduction
  - → Broaden scope of applicants for Waste Reduction Awards to demonstrate opportunities/models
- → Allow customers to bring to-go containers to restaurants
  - → Consultation with County Environmental Health and the San Diego Restaurant Association.
- → Resource Recovery Center

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#### **Recycling Programs**

- → Automated Blue Bin Recycling Collection
  - → Weekly collection not initially feasible due to funding
- → Full implementation of public recycling at parks/beaches
  - → Consider allowing individuals/non-profit groups to "adopt a container" to help fund capital or ongoing costs
  - → Seek corporate sponsorship
- → Enhanced education
  - → Increase frequency of residential cart/bin checks
  - → Citywide recycling competition (e.g. by neighborhood/council district)
  - → Enhance education about contamination

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#### **Organics Programs**

- → Greenery Collection
  - → Expand to include to make greenery collection available to all city customers
  - → Automate Greenery Collection
  - → Add food scraps to Greenery Collection
  - → Weekly Greenery Collection & Every-Other-Week Garbage
- → Food scraps added to CRO (phased-in)
- → Franchise haulers required to offer organics collection to customers
- → Add greenwaste bins at applicable Parks & Recreation sites
- → Continue discount program for home compost bins
- → Enhanced education
  - → Technical assistance to businesses implementing composting programs

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#### **Special Materials Programs**

- → Support statewide/federal producer responsibility
  - → Plastic film, packaging materials
  - → Paint, stains, varnishes
  - → Carpet
  - → Mattresses, couches, furniture, appliances
  - → Electronics, batteries, CFLs, universal waste
  - → Sharps, pharmaceuticals, medical waste
  - → Motor oil, antifreeze, lubricants, home chemicals
- → Enhanced Education

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#### **Supporting Facilities**

- → Resource Recovery Center
  - → Recovers 50%-65% of self-haul material delivered to Miramar
  - → High efficiency/low operating costs due to compaction
  - → Provides safer unloading for self-haulers
  - → Recovered/reusable materials available to the public
- → Advanced composting (e.g. Aerated Static Pile System)
  - More food waste
  - → Reduced air emissions and vector concerns
- → Anaerobic Digestion Facility at Miramar

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#### **Community Partnerships**

- → Coordinate efforts of non-profits and recycling/re-use businesses to promote:
  - → Food exchanges
  - → Textile recovery
  - → Repair & Reuse

#### **Other Suggestions**

- → ESD Staffing exchange program with other cities
- → Work with local producers/businesses on packaging reduction
- → Engage behavioral psychologists, etc. to assist in behavior change
  - Working with a local university on developing a Model Schools program
- → Household battery collection & recycling
  - → A viable program for beyond 75%
- → Replicate RRC on a smaller scale at various locations throughout city
- → Require all C&D projects to meet recycling requirements
  - → Ordinance was streamlined to remove projects generating minimal waste and improve efficiency of refund process.

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We want your input and ideas!

- Policies
- Reduce & Reuse Programs
- Recycling Programs
- Organics Programs
- Special Material Programs
- Supporting Facilities
- Community Partnerships
- Education & Outreach

#### **CALENDAR**

#### → Stakeholder Meetings Session 1:

Wednesday, July 23—6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. @ Ridgehaven Auditorium Thursday, July 24—9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. @ Metro Biosolids Conference Center

#### → Stakeholder Meetings Session 2:

Wednesday, August 27—6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. @ *Ridgehaven Auditorium*Thursday, August 28—9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. @ *Metro Biosolids Conference Center* 

#### → Stakeholder Meetings Session 3:

Wednesday, September 10—6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. @ *Ridgehaven Auditorium*Thursday, September 11—9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. @ *Metro Biosolids Conference Center* 

#### → Stakeholder Meetings Session 4:

Monday, September 22—9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. @ Metro Biosolids Conference Center Tuesday, September 23—6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. @ Ridgehaven Auditorium

- Plan to go to Committee on the Environment (November 2014)
- Plan to Council (December 2014)

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